## AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

## Claims 1-6 (Cancelled).

**7. (Currently Amended)** A method of managing a particular project of a project holder that holds a plurality of projects, said method comprising:

operating, by the trustee, a computer system comprising a credit management <u>program for managing money invested by an investor with respect to the particular project program</u>, a payment management <u>program for managing money spent for activities of the particular project and money obtained from the activities of the particular project program</u>, and a dividend management <u>program for managing dividends with respect to the particular project program</u>;

entrusting, by the project holder to the trustee, the particular project among the plurality of projects;

agreeing in advance, by the project holder and the investor, on the dividend management program of the computer system;

investing, by the investor, in the particular project entrusted to the trustee; recording data, by the trustee, in an investor file and a fund management file of the computer system;

performing investment recovery management, by the trustee, using the dividend management program of the computer <u>system</u>, <u>system</u>.

wherein the payment management program calculates, with respect to the particular project, the amount of a dividend reserve by subtracting the amount of the money spent from the activities of the particular project from the amount of the money obtained from the activities of the particular project, and inputs the amount of the dividend reserve to the dividend management program, and

the dividend management program calculates, with respect to the particular project, the amounts of the dividends on the basis of the input the amount of the dividend reserve.

**8.** (Currently Amended) The method according to elaim 1 claim 7, further comprising: investigating, by the trustee, the components of the particular project;

notifying, by the trustee, the investor of a result of an investigation; and determining, by the investor, investment in the particular project based on the result of the investigation.

- **9.** (**Previously Presented**) The method according to claim 7, further comprising: auditing, by an audit agency, progress made by the project holder on the particular project.
- 10. (Withdrawn) The method according to claim 9, further comprising:
  requesting, by the project holder, payment from the trustee;
  judging, by the audit agency, whether payment request is correct;
  notifying, by the audit agency, trustee whether payment request is correct;
  executing payment, by the trustee, on the basis of the payment management program and
  the fund management file of the computer system, if payment request is correct; and
  instructing, by the audit agency, the project holder to correct payment request, if judged
  necessary by the audit agency.
- 11. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 9, further comprising: submitting, by the project holder, a payment to the trustee; operating, by the trustee, the computer system further comprising a first dividend management correction program;

judging, by the audit agency, whether the payment from the project holder to the trustee is appropriate based on the progress made by the project holder on the particular project;

performing investment recovery management, by the trustee, in accordance with the first dividend management correction program, when the payment is judged not to be <u>appropriate</u>. <del>appropriate</del>;

**12. (Withdrawn)** The method according to claim 9, further comprising: operating, by the trustee, the computer system further comprising a second dividend management correction program;

judging, by the audit agency, whether it is possible to attain a target dividend amount based on the progress of the particular project;

when it is judged, by the audit agency, that it is impossible to attain the target dividend amount,

- (a) extending, by the trustee, a contract term of the investor, and
- (b) performing investment recovery, by the trustee, in accordance with the second dividend management correction program.